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SUBJECT: SWEDEN CONTRIBUTES USD 3 MILLION TO PAKISTAN'S IDPS

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¶1. Swedish Minister for International Development Cooperation  
Gunilla Carlsson told journalists on May 19 that Sweden is  
contributing \$3 million in humanitarian assistance to help  
Pakistan's Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs), as follows:

- \$1.3 million of its total contribution through the UNHCR,
- \$1.1 million to Pakistan via the UN Central Emergency  
Response Fund (CERF) to several UN humanitarian organizations,
- \$625,000 to the UN Office for the Coordination of  
Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) in Pakistan.

¶2. Carlsson stated that the "speed and scale of the internal  
refugee crisis in northwest Pakistan are a cause for deep  
concern." The internal refugees, currently numbering nearly  
two million, need food, water, health care and shelter, as  
well as protection, Carlsson opined. With humanitarian  
organizations finding it difficult to safely access this  
troubled region, Sweden is pleased that OCHA is organizing a  
coordinated and extensive humanitarian operation, she said.  
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